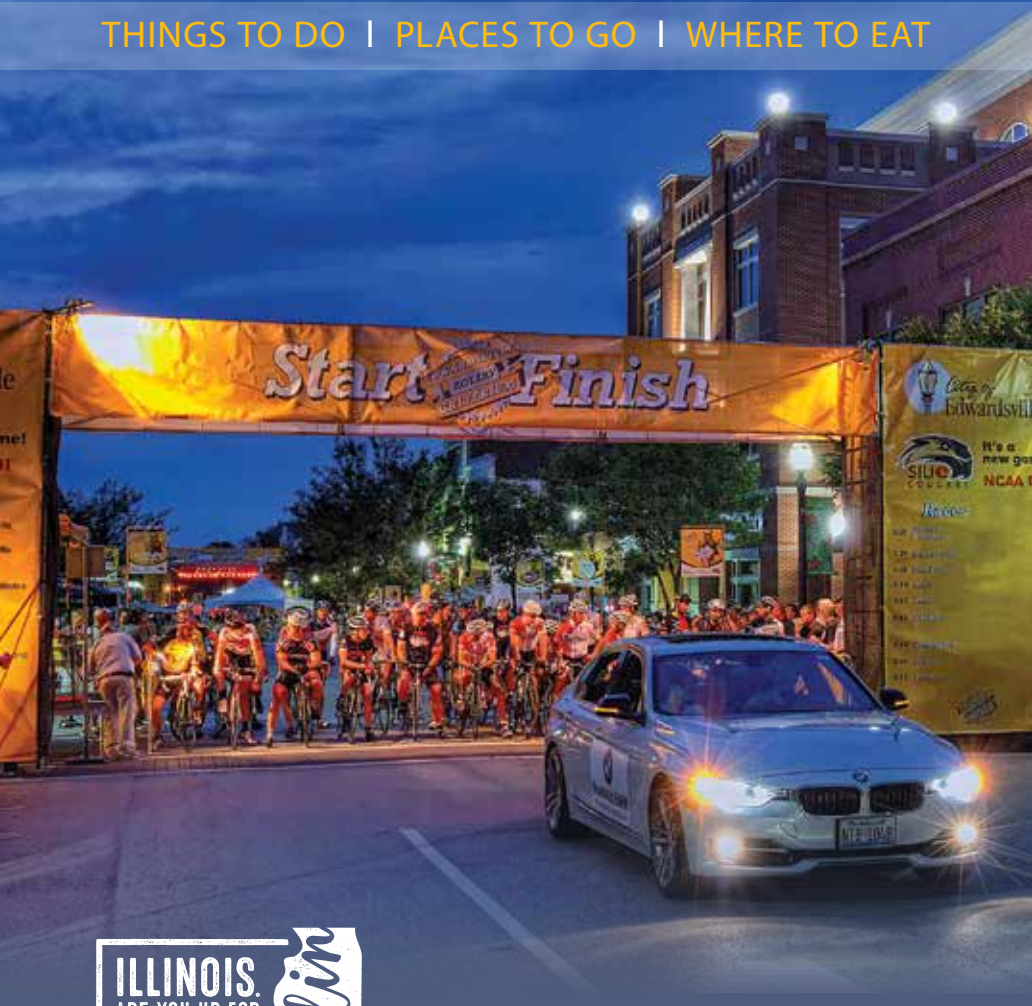


Enjoy EDWARDSVILLE ILLINOIS | 2017

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TheBANK of Edwardsville Rotary Criterium

Welcome

TO EDWARDSVILLE

Enjoy and discover the stories of Edwardsville,
the third oldest city in Illinois.

Take a walk through Edwardsville and catch sight of a vibrant downtown shopping district bookmarked by historic sites and scenic parks and the mother of all roads, Route 66.

Originally settled in 1805, Edwardsville has grown from a one-room log cabin to a thriving community. Home to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Lewis & Clark Community College's N.O. Nelson Center and the Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities, the city also has three fascinating historic districts which trace the growth of the community over the years and 39 buildings designated historic landmarks.

Edwardsville has provided Illinois with five of its governors in its nearly 200 year history. Abraham Lincoln also made documented visits to the city in the 1840's and in 1858. Not only does the city boast an impressive history, it plays host to several major amateur sporting events annually which range from bicycle races to pro-am tennis futures.



Scenes for the movie *"The Lucky Ones"* starring Tim Robbins and Rachel McAdams were filmed in downtown Edwardsville in June 2007.



Singer Jackson Browne recorded several songs for his album *"Running on Empty"* while staying in a local hotel.

Bon Appétit!

1818 Chophouse



Bella Milano



Cleveland Heath

Choice restaurants, diners and bakeries headline the food scene in the Edwardsville area. From the artfully inspired dining experience at Bella Milano to gourmet comfort food at Cleveland-Heath, whose chef has been a James Beard Best Chef semifinalist two years running, you'll fall in love with a wide range of food experiences just waiting to be discovered.

Restaurants

1818 Chophouse

210 S. Buchanan St. • (618) 307-9300

222 Artisan Bakery

222 N. Main St. • (618) 659-1122

Andria's Countryside Restaurant

7415 State Rt. 143 • (618) 656-0281

Bella Milano

1063 S. State Rt. 157 • (618) 659-2100

Big Daddy's

132 N. Main St. • (618) 656-9706

Bigelo's Bistro

140 N. Main St. • (618) 655-1471

Bull and Bear Grill & Bar

1071 State Rt. 157 • (618) 655-9920

Catrinás

1027 Century Dr. • (618) 692-5522

Chava's Mexican Restaurant

217 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 692-8192

Cleveland-Heath

106 N. Main St. • (618) 307-4830

Crushed Red

222 E. Park St. • (618) 307-9861

Dewey's Pizza

112 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 656-2200

Doc's Smokehouse & Catering

1017 Century Dr. • (618) 656-6060

Edison's Entertainment Complex

2477 S. State Rt. 157 • (618) 307-9020

El Maguey

1532 Troy Rd. • (618) 659-3744

Foundry Public House

126 N. Main St. • (618) 307-9585

GC Cuisine

1230 University Dr. • (618) 655-1170

Green Earth Grocery & Deli

441 S. Buchanan St. • (618) 656-3375

Hot Shots Sports Bar & Grill

2511 S. State Rt. 157 • (618) 307-9723

Joe's Pizza & Pasta

4 Club Centre Ct. • Ste. K • (618) 655-9400

La Casa Mexicana

201 Harvard Dr. • (618) 655-9606

La Fonda Mexican Restaurant

2310 Troy Rd. • (618) 655-0399

Laurie's Place

228 N. Main St. • (618) 656-2175

Los Tres Amigos

1011 Century Dr. • (618) 659-4880

Mike Shannon's Grill

871 S. Arbor Vitae • Ste 101 • (618) 655-9911

Mr. Curry's India Restaurant

7403 Marine Rd. • (618) 692-3892

Nori Sushi & Japanese Grill

1025 Century Dr. • (618) 659-9400

North Main Diner

146 N. Main St. • (618) 659-8688

Oriental Spoon

229 Harvard Dr. • (618) 655-9633

Peel Wood Fired Pizza

921 S. Arbor Vitae • (618) 659-8561

Sacred Grounds Café

233 N. Main St. • (618) 692-4150

Sgt. Pepper's Café

218 N. Main St. • (618) 692-1345

Shangri-La

1039 Century Dr. • (618) 656-9888

Source Juicery

220 N Main St. • (618) 650-9080

Stagger Inn

104 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 656-4221

Sugo's Spaghetteria

243 Harvard Dr. • (618) 659-4640

Taj Indian Cuisine

4 Club Centre Ct. A • (618) 692-8110

Taqueria Z

109 E. Park St. • (618) 307-5018

Teaspoons Café

2125 S. State Rt. 157 • (618) 655-9595

The Queen's Cuisine

120 S. Main St. • (618) 205-6188

Wang Gang Asian Eats 'N Beats

1035 Century Dr. • (618) 655-0888

Wasabi

100 S Buchanan St. • (618) 655-9880

Zapp Thai

1500 Troy Rd. • (618) 656-6800

And More

Buffalo Wild Wings, IMO's Pizza, Pantera's Pizza, Pasta House Co., Red Robin Gourmet Burgers,

Quick Bites

Arby's, Burger King, Captain D's, Chick-Fil-A, China King, Crazy Bowls and Wraps, Culver's, Domino's Pizza, DQ Restaurant, Jack In the Box, Jimmy John's, McDonald's, Penn Station, Pizza Hut, Qdoba, Quiznos, Sonic Drive-In, Steak n Shake, St. Louis Bread Co., Subway, Taco Bell, The Orient, The Orient Wok & Chop Suey, Wendy's.

Sweet Treats

A Little Taste of Heaven Bakery, Annie's Frozen Custard, Bailey Cakes, Cold Stone Creamery, Dairy Queen, Jilly's Cupcake Bar & Cafe', Northside Dairy Haven, Starbucks, The Cup.

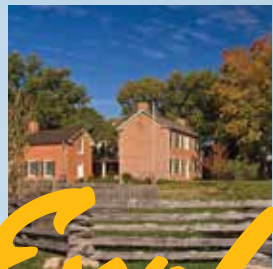


What's On Tap?

Lagers, cream ales, IPA's and stouts highlight the craft beer scene in Edwardsville. **Recess Brewing**, 307 N. Main St., focuses on its in-house brewed beer and allows customers to bring in their own food as they enjoy a wide range of ever-changing taps. **Peel Brewing Co.**, 921 S. Arbor Vitae, Edwardsville, features its own seasonal brews and year round favorites. Pair Peel's beer with wood-fired original pizzas!

Check out **Global Brew Tap House**, 112 S. Buchanan St., to sample craft beer created in Illinois, Missouri and elsewhere.

Explore



Step back into the early history of Illinois and Edwardsville through engaging museums and historical sites sprinkled throughout. From the **Benjamin Stephenson House**, 409 S. Buchanan St., Edwardsville, (open Thurs. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday Noon to 3 p.m.) which highlights the early history of Edwardsville, to the **Madison County Historical Museum & Archival Library**, 715 N. Main St., Edwardsville, where pioneer artifacts, antiques, and historic costumes are showcased, exploring the past is a thrilling adventure. Open Wednesday – Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more information go to www.madcohistory.org and www.stephenhouse.org

For the young at heart, or simply the young, check out the **Edwardsville Children's Museum**, 722 Holyoake Rd., a stimulating, learning museum suitable

for anyone age 6 months to 60 years of age. The museum is open Tuesday, Friday and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Check the website for seasonal hours: www.EdwardsvilleChildrensMuseum.org

Step outside at the **Watershed Nature Center**, 1591 Tower Ave, Edwardsville, home to over 40 acres of prairie, forest and wetland habitats with paved walking trails, a raised marsh walk and a welcome center. The Center building is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays from Noon to 4 p.m. www.watershednaturecenter.org

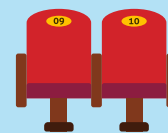
For the artistically inclined, check out the local art scene at the **Edwardsville Arts Center**, 6165 Center Grove Rd. Exhibits rotate monthly and drop in classes are available. Open Wednesday – Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. www.edwardsvilleartscenter.com



WILDEY THEATRE

Come take a seat in the historic Wildey Theatre located in downtown Edwardsville. Sit back and relax in the art deco auditorium and imagine a time when Ginger Rogers danced across the stage, Douglas Fairbanks Jr. thrilled audiences or W.C. Fields captivated with his vaudeville comedy. The Wildey, built in 1909, long before Route 66 found its way into and through Edwardsville, has been the hub of movie and live entertainment for decades. When it opened, it was considered one of the largest, most modern entertainment theaters in Illinois.

Shuttered for a time in the mid-1980's, the building was later purchased by the City of Edwardsville and renovated. Reborn as an intimate live entertainment venue, it now seats 400 people, features a classic concession area and lounge and hosts live entertainment including Gallagher, The Gregg Rolie Band, Wishbone Ash, Savoy Brown, Pat Boone and Lita Ford. It is also home to \$2 Tuesday night movies, weddings, community fashion shows and much more. For a complete list of entertainment options at the Wildey, go to: **WildeyTheatre.com**



FUN FACT

When the Wildey Theatre opened in 1909, it could **seat 1,150 people**. Today the theater **seats 400** and features two special event spaces with room for nearly **350 people**.

Be sure to stop at the interpretive and interactive kiosk on the corner of West Schwarz Street and Route 157, across from the Circle K Convenience Store to learn more. ▶



ROUTE 66

Since 1926, the mythical Mother Road of Route 66 has wound its way through downtown Edwardsville. Although the original brick roadway has been replaced, signposts and buildings still mark the way and adventurers can enjoy a portion of America's original super highway.

Route 66 roughly follows Illinois Route 157 and Vandalia Street through downtown Edwardsville. Several historic gems of that era remain on Vandalia Street including buildings that now house Afterwords Books, 441 E. Vandalia St., Dewey's Pizza, 112 E. Vandalia St., Cleveland Heath Restaurant, 106 N. Main St., and City Park.



Enjoy

EDWARDSVILLE
ILLINOIS

**SOUTHERN
ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
EDWARDSVILLE**

- 1 Edwardsville High School**
6161 Center Grove Rd. • (618) 656-7100
- 2 Benjamin Stephenson House**
409 S. Buchanan St. • (618) 692-1818
- 3 Edwardsville Arts Center**
6165 Center Grove Rd. • (618) 655-0337
- 4 Edwardsville Children's Museum**
722 Holyoake Rd. • (618) 692-2094
- 5 Madison County Courthouse**
155 N. Main St. • (618) 692-6200
- 6 Madison County Historical Museum & Archival Library**
715 N. Main St. • (618) 656-7562
- 7 Watershed Nature Center**
1591 Tower Ave. • (618) 692-7578
- 8 Wildey Theatre**
252 N. Main St. • (618) 307-2053
- 9 YMCA of Edwardsville Esic Center**
1200 Esic Dr. • (618) 656-0436
- 10 YMCA of Edwardsville Meyer Center**
7348 Goshen Rd. • (618) 655-1460
- 11 Leon Corlew Park and Splash Pad**
333 S. Main St. • (618) 692-7538
- 12 The Gardens at SIUE**
- 13 Leclaire National Historic District**
(circa 1890-1932)
- 14 St. Louis Street National Historic District**
(circa 1880 through 1930)
- 15 Brick Street Landmark District**
- 16 Downtown Historic District**
(circa 1850-1930)



Art fairs. Farmer's markets. High speed bicycle races. Pro tennis. All of this and more are among the many signature events that take place in Edwardsville.

Make plans to participate or simply become a part of the cheering section throughout the summer and fall season.

Futures Pro Circuit Tennis Tournament | Aug. 5-13

Edwardsville Rotary Criterium | Aug. 19

Edwardsville Art Fair | Sept. 22-24



Things to Do



Browse the streets of Downtown Edwardsville for some of the best locally made goods and produce at **The Land of Goshen Community Market**. Home grown Saturday mornings is the theme of this premier farmer's market. Fresh fruits and vegetables, farm fresh eggs, baked goods, pottery, jewelry and more are available. The market is located at the corner of N. Main and St. Louis Streets from May thru October, 8 a.m. to Noon. Rain or shine.

City Park in Edwardsville is home to a variety of events throughout the summer months. Take the kids to an outdoor movie on Saturday nights or bring a picnic and blanket to City Park for Arts in the Park. Saturday mornings the park hosts free children's art projects taught by local artists and educators. And, every Friday night sit back and tap your feet to the sounds of regional bands during the free Friday Night Concerts.
www.cityofedwardsville.com

Scout out future tennis stars at the annual **Edwardsville Futures Pro Circuit Tennis Tournament • Aug. 5–13**. This is one of the largest tennis events in the St. Louis Metro area with more than 100 players from over 20 countries. Singles and doubles events showcases local, national and international competition. Players compete for \$25,000 in prize money. Take a seat and watch the show at Edwardsville High School tennis courts, 6161 Center Grove Court.
www.Edwardsvillefutures.com

Nine events. Three hundred cyclists. Live entertainment. Thousands of cheering supporters. All of that and more can be found at the **TheBank of Edwardsville Rotary Criterium Festival • Aug. 19**. This series of high speed bicycle races features categories for all ages of bicycle enthusiasts. Enjoy the free kids races, live bands, kid zone, food zone and an open containers perimeter on the streets of Downtown Edwardsville. The event is sanctioned by the USA Cycling Association and is held rain or shine.
www.CriteriumEdwardsville.com

Art comes in all shapes and sizes at the annual **Edwardsville Art Fair • Friday, Sept. 22 to Sunday, Sept. 24** at City Park, 101 S. Buchanan. The Art Fair is a juried fine art show featuring original works from over 100 artists. Included in this event is a free Create IT and Take IT art section designed specifically for children. Want your kids to become art connoisseurs? Each artist in the fair donates a piece of art which is then available for purchase in the Children's Art Gallery. Eliminate any hunger pangs with local food and drink vendors.

For more than 25 years, the tree-lined grounds of Leclaire Park hosts one of Edwardsville's signature festivals, **Leclaire Parkfest • Oct. 15 from Noon to 5 p.m.** Food booths featuring Italian beef, chicken and dumplings, walking tacos, curly fries and more line the sidewalks alongside local craftsmen and childrens art and activities. Leclaire Park is located at 900 Hale Ave.

Find Your Own *Adventure*

Jump into your own adventure throughout Edwardsville. From laser tag and boutique bowling to playing a few rounds of golf there are plenty of activities for groups of friends or family adventurers.

Eat, drink and be merry with the family at **Edison's**, 2477 S. State Route 157 in Edwardsville. With a 12 lane bowling alley, a 3,500-square-foot laser tag arena and a 55-plus game state of the art arcade, there is plenty available to keep everyone entertained. Edison's full service restaurant features pizza, wings, tacos and more. A full bar is available for adults. (618) 307-9020 www.edisonsfun.com

Cool off when it's hot at the **Leon Corlew Splash Pad**, 333 S. Main St. The city's newest park has an accessible splash pad which includes a gentle bubbler on one

end and a large dumping bucket for bigger splashes on the other. Open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week until fall.

Tee it up at the three different golf courses that call Edwardsville home. Play for a few hours or make a day of it – the choice is yours at both 9 hole and 18 hole courses.

- **American Legion Post Golf Course** (9 Holes)
58 S. State Route 157 (618) 656-9774
- **Oak Brook Golf Course** (27 Holes)
9157 Fruit Rd. (618) 656-5600
- **Fox Creek Golf Course** (18 Holes)
6555 Fox Creek Dr. (618) 692-9400



VISIT THE "e"

It's been called an oasis – colorful and fresh and a great place for a walk. The Gardens at **Southern Illinois University Edwardsville** has become a destination in its own right and yet another reason people want to see "The e".

SIUE, or the "e" sits on 2,660 acres of woods and prairie atop bluffs overlooking the Mississippi River bottomland. The four year university is home to over 14,000 students and offers a diverse menu of cultural, athletic and academic activities.

From extensive hiking and biking trails throughout the campus, the 35-acre Gardens, an activity center with restaurants, bowling and arcade games, and the artistic excellence of "Arts & Issues" showcasing dance, science, politics and literature, there is always something to do at "The e". www.siue.edu



GET *Outside!*



Eager for some outdoor exercise? Stretch your legs, or, better yet, hop on a bike and explore the miles and miles of trails that wander through Edwardsville, created and maintained by Madison County Transit. Get outside and explore the Nature Trail, Bluff Trail and the Delyte W. Morris Trail which

meander through the scenic landscape of SIUE. Check out the Nickel Plate Trail to explore Edwardsville. Looking for a bigger challenge? Map out your own route throughout Edwardsville for an in-depth look into the city. For more information, go to: www.MCTTrails.org



PAVED LOOPS
RANGE FROM
**10 to 31
MILES**
IN LENGTH

17 PARK & BIKE LOTS
IN EDWARDSVILLE & GLEN CARBON
WITH DIRECT ACCESS TO MCT TRAILS

**130
MILES**

INTERCONNECTED
ROUTES



BOUTIQUE

Shopping

A Wildflower Shop

2131 IL 157 • (618) 692-5094

Afterwords Books

441 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 655-0355

All Natural Pet Center

7139 Marine Rd. • (618) 655-1630

Bin 51 Wine & Spirits

118 N. Main St. • (618) 307-5909

Chef's Shoppe

2320 Troy Rd. • (618) 659-9840

Circa Boutique

101 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 692-5570

Doll Corner

207 W. High St. • (618) 656-5366

Edwardsville Flea Market

1506 Troy Rd. • (618) 655-0875

First to Finish

2341 Plum St. • (618) 307-9427

Four Muddy Paws

2127 State Rt. 157 • (618) 692-4729

Frames By Three

113 Plaza Ct. • (618) 692-4488

Gingham Buffalo

500 N. Main St. • (618) 656-8700

Good Sports Cards & Memorabilia

1990 Troy Rd. • (618) 655-1361

Heroic Adventures

1005 Century Dr. • (618) 659-0099

Kettle River

1091 S. State Rt. 157 • (618) 656-5111

Milo's Tobacco Road

288 N. Main St., Ste. A
(618) 692-1343

Olive Oils & More

1990 Troy Rd. • (618) 656-4645

Other Side Game

231 N. Main St. • (618) 692-5525

RunWell

142 N. Main St. • (618) 659-9903

Stix & Stones Interiors

100 E. Vandalia St. • (618) 307-5559

The Bike Factory

1530 Troy Rd. • (618) 659-8706

The Bike Surgeon

2341 Plum St. • (618) 692-5595

The Cyclery & Fitness Center

2472 Troy Rd. • (618) 656-0070

Vintage 71

813 N. Main St. • (618) 307-9949

Water Sweets Soaps

112 N. Main St. • (618) 692-5221

What to Wear

921 S. Arbor Vitae • (618) 655-0222

Where They Roam

303 N. Main St. • (618) 692-5252

Whisker Bones Supply Store

138 N. Main St. • (618) 593-3603

Wild Heart Boutique

2121 State Rt. 157 • (618) 307-5155



Stay the Night

Need more time to explore Edwardsville? Check out these first-class hotels featuring spacious rooms, breakfast and more. Most are close to shopping, dining, trails and local attractions.

- **Holiday Inn Express & Suites • (618) 692-7255**
1000 Plummer Dr. • Edwardsville
- **Comfort Inn • (618) 656-4900**
3080 S. SR 157 • Edwardsville
- **Country Hearth Inn and Suites • (618) 656-7829**
1013 Plummer Dr. • Edwardsville

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